IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 1, 4 and 6 as follows:

1. (Six Times Amended) An information processing apparatus comprising:

reading means for reading image information including character data including a name and a phone number recorded on a recording medium;

image memory means for storing image information;

recognizing means for recognizing the [character data] name and the phone number included in the image information read by said reading means;

[registering] character memory means for [registering] storing a name and a phone number;

image memory control means for controlling said image memory means to store the image information read by said reading means;

character memory control means for controlling said [registering] character memory means to [register] store the name and the phone number [in accordance with the character data] recognized by said recognizing means [and for causing said registering means to register a plurality of such phone numbers sequentially];

searching means for searching [the] a plurality of names and phone numbers, [registered] stored in

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said [registering] character memory means, for a desired name
and phone number; and

display means for displaying the [plurality of
phone numbers] desired name and phone number searched by said
searching means[,] and the corresponding image information
simultaneously [read by said reading means and the character
data recognized by said recognizing means;

selecting means for selecting one of the
plurality of phone numbers;

communication control means for performing
communication processing on the basis of the one phone number
selected by the selecting means; and

storage means for storing a document to be
transmitted,

wherein said communication control means
performs control of transmission of the document to be
transmitted on the basis of the desired phone number searched
for by said searching means].

4.   (Five Times Amended)   An information
processing apparatus comprising:

manual means for entering, correcting or
changing character data;

reading means for reading image information
including character data including a name and a phone number
recorded on a recording medium;

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recognizing means for recognizing the [character data] <u>name and phone number included</u> in the image information read by said reading means;

registering means for registering <u>a name and</u> a phone number;

memory control means for controlling said registering means to register the <u>name and</u> phone number in accordance with the [character data] <u>name and phone number</u> recognized by said recognizing means and <u>to register the character data entered, corrected or changed by said manual means</u> [for causing said registering means to register a plurality of such phone numbers sequentially];

searching means for searching [the] <u>a</u> plurality of [such] phone numbers registered in said registering means for a desired phone number;

display means for displaying the [plurality of] phone numbers searched by said searching means and for displaying the [character data] <u>name and phone number</u> registered in said registering means in accordance with a type of the character data;

[selecting means for selecting one of the plurality of phone numbers;]

communication control means for performing communication processing on the basis of the [one] <u>desired</u> phone number [selected by the selecting means];

[manual means for correcting and changing the character data displayed on said display means;] and

storage means for storing a document [to be transmitted],

wherein said communication control means performs control of transmission of the document [to be transmitted] on the basis of the desired phone number [searched for by said searching means].

6. (Four Times Amended) An information processing apparatus comprising:

reading means for reading image information including character data including a name and a phone number recorded on a recording medium;

recognizing means for recognizing the [character data] name and phone number included in the image information read by said reading means;

registering means for registering a name and a phone number;

memory control means for controlling said registering means to register the name and the phone number in accordance with the [character data] name and phone number recognized by said recognizing means and for causing said registering means to register a plurality of such names and phone numbers [sequentially];

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searching means for searching the plurality of phone numbers registered in said registering means for a desired phone number in accordance with a desired, corresponding name;

display means for displaying the plurality of phone numbers searched by said searching means;

selecting means for selecting one of the plurality of phone numbers;

communication control means for performing communication processing on the basis of the one phone number selected by the selecting means; and

storage means for storing a document to be transmitted,

wherein said communication control means performs control of transmission of the document to be transmitted on the basis of the desired phone number searched for by said searching means.

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-6 and 9-17 are in this application. Claims 1, 4, and 6, the independent claims, have been amended to define still more clearly what Applicants regard as their invention, in terms that distinguish over the art of record.

Claims 3, 13 and 16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as indefinite. Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments made to Claims 1, 4